GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Central University
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government would consider to set a central university at Rameshwaram in the honour of late President and Scientist Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam;
(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATEIN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

(a) to (c): At present, there is no proposal to set up new Central University atRameshwaram.During the 12th plan (2012-17), as approved by the National Development Council, the thrust is on consolidation of the higher education system. Expansion would be mainly done by scaling up capacity of the existing institutions in place of setting up new institutions. The Central Government haslaunched RashtriyaUchchatarShikshaAbhiyan (RUSA) on cost sharing basis to assist States to open new institutions.
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